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Honorable Denny Chin
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
Thurgood Marshall Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Re: Pitre v. City of New York, et al., 18-CV-5950 (DC)

Your Honor:

I am an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the office of the Honorable Sylvia O. Hinds-Radix, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, attorney for Defendants in the above-referenced action. Defendants seek an adjournment of the trial currently scheduled for November 1, 2023, due to the unresolved issue of Defendant Fiorentino's possible substitution. Plaintiff consents to this adjournment.

As your honor is aware, on August 11, 2023, Defendants filed a Suggestion of Death with respect to Defendant Fiorentino (Dkt. No. 82). Currently, Plaintiff's deadline to substitute Fiorentino is November 9, 2023. Defendants agreed to the September 25th and later the November 1st trial date because Defendants believed that Plaintiff's Counsel was dismissing Fiorentino with prejudice and not moving forward with substitution (Dkt. No. 86). Defendants cannot proceed to trial within the 90 day statutory period pursuant to FRE 25(a)(1) without dismissing John Fiorentino with prejudice, because doing so will result in the possibility of a second trial wherein the same exact issues are litigated. On October 11, 2023, Defendants addressed these concerns with the Court and on October 13, 2023, filed a letter outlining Defendants' position as ordered by the Court (Dkt. No. 111). Thus, Defendants request an adjournment of the trial to a mutual agreeable date after November 9, 2023.

We thank the Court for its attention in this matter.

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